

Ambassador has contributed his time and financial resources to ensure a historic landmark was restored and brought into the 21st century.

What has been the symbol of Chelsea for over a century, has been beautifully restored, housing businesses, cafes, restaurants, and a community commons area. The revitalization of this once industrial sector has enabled the city to expand with the potential of endless opportunities.

Ambassador Weiser saw something in the citizens of Chelsea and the atmosphere of a city which made him envision a prosperous, vibrant community. He brought back to life the symbol lighting up the night, the symbol recognized by many, "Chelsea's Clock Tower."

Therefore, I rise today to honor Ambassador Ronald Weiser for his endless support of the Chelsea community. May others know of my high regard for his selfless contributions and service to others, as well as my best wishes for him in the future.

HONORING MARTIN (MARTY) R. RESNICK

HON. C. A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 8, 2007

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise before you today to honor Martin (Marty) R. Resnick, founder, owner, and CEO of Martin's Catering. He has recently been inducted into the prestigious Baltimore Business Hall of Fame. Martin Ronald Resnick was born in Baltimore on September 3, 1931. He graduated from City College in 1949, deciding to enter the world of business instead of going to college. Marty's early business career started in department stores, learning the world of business until 1964 when he opened his first catering company, Eudowood Gardens. Martin's Catering now has the capacity to serve over 20,000 people operating in 7 locations.

For over 40 years, Marty spent nearly all of his energy in the catering business, earning numerous awards from small business associations. Martin's, Inc. has annual sales of over \$30 million. Several organizations have named him "Man of the Year," and former mayor of Baltimore William Donald Schaefer declared June 24, 1981, to be "Martin Resnick Day in Baltimore". Although his business interests are many and consuming, he devotes his boundless energy to many causes, including the University of Maryland Foundation, the Morgan State University Foundation, the Baltimore Alliance for the Prevention and Control of Hypertension and Diabetes, and the Baltimore City Police Department Foundation.

Marty and his company "adopted" Riverview Elementary in 1989. Riverview Elementary is located in an economically disadvantaged community, and many of the students who attend Riverview come from single-parent homes. Before Martin's Caterers adopted Riverview, the school had poor attendance and the need for encouragement from caring, positive role models. Today, he is "Uncle Marty" to more than 1,000 students. Marty also provides jobs for the parents of his "nieces and nephews", where he teaches them good work ethic and valuable skills to learn and grow in their career.

Marty received an Honorary Doctorate Degree in Philosophy from Israel's Sinai University, and there is a Yeshiva in Jerusalem that bears his name. Even with all of his many business demands, Marty is truly an adoring family man, who has always placed his family first.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you join with me today to honor Martin (Marty) R. Resnick. His legacy as a professional will be forever preserved in the Baltimore County Business Hall of Fame, and will be matched only by his devotion to his family and community. It is with great pride that I congratulate Marty Resnick on his exemplary career in the catering and event planning business.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF MR. ROBERT B. INGRAM, JR.

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 8, 2007

Mr. BONNER. Madam Speaker, the state of Alabama recently lost a dear friend, and I rise today to honor him and pay tribute to his memory. Mr. Robert B. Ingram, Jr., known as Bob to his many friends and family, was one of the most influential and respected political writers in Alabama's history.

Born in Centre, Alabama, in 1926, Bob and his 2 sisters were raised in Cherokee County by his widowed mother during the Great Depression. He graduated from Cherokee County High School and served with distinction in World War II as a radio operator and gunner aboard the USS *Panamint*. He graduated from Auburn University in 1949 and soon began working for the Cherokee County Herald.

Soon thereafter, Bob joined the Montgomery Advertiser, where he worked as a reporter. He left the world of journalism for several years and served as state finance director for former Alabama Governor Albert Brewer. From 1979 until 1993, he was editorial director at WSFA-TV in Montgomery, and he ended his editorials with the words that became his trademark, "And that's the way I see it . . ."

Bob Ingram also wrote 2 books, "That's the Way I Saw It," and "That's the Way I Saw It II," published a magazine, and spent 30 years as a political analyst for 3 Montgomery television stations. He received many awards throughout his storied career. He particularly cherished the honor bestowed on him by Auburn University Montgomery with the creation of the Robert Ingram Lecture Series. Four years ago, he was inducted into the communication hall of fame at the University of Alabama, and earlier this year, he received the Mass Media Achievement Award from the Auburn University Journalism Foundation.

Bob Ingram reported on—and was witness to—many of the most pivotal events in Alabama's history, including the civil rights movement and the career of former Governor George C. Wallace. While known for his legendary objectivity, Bob was never afraid to speak his mind. Be it with praise or criticism, Mr. Ingram served as a watchdog for the people of Alabama his entire career. For nearly 50 years, his weekly column, "The Alabama Scene," was a treasure trove of political tidbits, history, and news for Alabamians.

Bob Ingram was also active with several charitable and civic endeavors. He was a Paul

Harris Fellow of the Rotary Club, and served as a deacon at Cloverdale Baptist Church in Montgomery, where he taught Sunday school for more than 35 years. Most recently, he volunteered his time with the Montgomery Ostomy Association.

The Montgomery Advertiser's tribute to Bob Ingram was especially poignant, stating, "Most of those who knew Ingram through his writings and television analyses never met him in person, but they felt he was their friend."

Madam Speaker, Bob Ingram was a reporter, a publisher, an author, a commentator, and a speaker for the better part of a century. He was an outstanding example of the quality individuals who have devoted their lives to the field of journalism, and I ask my colleagues to join with me in remembering one of our State's most revered journalists and esteemed citizens.

Bob Ingram loved life and lived it to the fullest, and his passing marks a tremendous loss for all of Alabama. He will be deeply missed by many, most especially his children, Robert B. Ingram III, Beth Ingram Lamberth, and Ragan Ingram; his sister, Rozanne I. Jones; his 8 grandchildren; his great-grandchild; as well as countless friends he leaves behind.

Our thoughts and prayers are with them all at this difficult time.

RECOGNIZING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE HISTORIC WAILUKU COURTHOUSE

HON. MAZIE K. HIRONO

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 8, 2007

Ms. HIRONO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the centennial of the historic Wailuku Courthouse on the island of Maui. I would also like to congratulate the many people and companies in history who helped build and occupy the Courthouse.

Angus P. McDonald began construction on the Wailuku Courthouse on October 18, 1907. His work was completed in late 1908 and the building opened in February 1909.

The Wailuku Courthouse was occupied by the Honorable Judge Aluwae Noa Kepoikai, from 1892 to 1894 and again from 1904 to 1909; the Honorable Judge Seldon B. Kindgsbury from 1909 to 1913; the Honorable Judge William S. Edings from 1914 to 1918; the Honorable Judge Leslie L. Burr from 1918 through 1922; the Honorable Judge Daniel H. Case from 1922 to 1943; the Honorable Judge Cable A. Wirtz from 1944 through 1951 and in 1956 to 1959; the Honorable Wendell F. Crockett from 1959 to 1961; the Honorable Judge Takashi Kitaoka from 1962 to 1968; the Honorable Judge George Fukuoka from 1968 through 1982; the Honorable Judge Kase Higa from 1977 to 1985; and the Honorable Judge Arthur Ueoka from 1982 to 1983.

As the population of Maui County grew and the demands on county services increased, the Wailuku Courthouse was eventually vacated by the Court in 1988.

In October 1992, the GW Murphy Construction Company began renovating and restoring the Wailuku Courthouse to allow for its continued use by the County of Maui. In October 1993, the offices of the Maui County Department of the Prosecuting Attorney were moved